TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 196

January 30, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) from issuing a permit for a landfill that is located, constructed, operated, and maintained such that fill areas are at a minimum:

- 1. For any landfill site where the neighboring area's population exceeds thirty-five thousand (35,000) residents within a fifteen square mile (15 sq. mi.) radius, one mile (1 mi.) from all residences; or
- 2. For any landfill site to which (1) does not apply, five hundred feet (500') from all residences, unless the owner of the residential property agrees in writing to a shorter distance.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- This legislation will not impact landfills currently residing in the state which have already received a permit from the TDEC.
- Based on information from the TDEC's Division of Solid Waste, this legislation will primarily impact landfills within Davidson and Shelby Counties, which are either being built or would be built in the absence of this legislation.
- This legislation is estimated to have no significant impact on the number of landfills in this state, but rather the location at which such landfills will be constructed.
- Any impact on the number of permittees, or revenue received by TDEC in the form of application review or annual maintenance fees is estimated to be not significant, as landfills will continue to be built and annual maintenance fees are based upon tonnage, and this legislation will have no impact on the amount of trash diverted to landfills.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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